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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SECRETARY

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS), JO, US, EG
SUBJECT: FAHMY ON PLO STATEMENT

REF: ALEXANDRIA 805 (REPEATED TOSEC 80167, STATE 185980)

1. PLEASE TELL FAHMY I APPRECIATE VERY MUCH HIS EFFORTS
TO GET PLO TO ACCEPT SC RESOLUTION 242. UNFORTUNATELY,
AS YOU POINTED OUT TO HIM, THE FORMULA IN REFTEL SAYS IN
EFFECT THAT PLO HAS NOT REPEAT NOT ACCEPTED RESOLUTION 242.
IF WE AGREED TO OPEN CONTACTS WITH PLO ON BASIS OF SUCH A
FORMULA, WE WOULD BE VULNERABLE TO CHARGES OF BAD FAITH
WHICH WOULD UNDERCUT OUR EFFORTS TO MOBILIZE SUPPORT AT
HOME FOR WHAT WILL IN BEST OF CIRCUMSTANCES BE A CONTROVERSIAL
MOVE ON OUR PART. WE DO NOT INSIST THAT PLO RESERVATIONS BE
WORDED PRECESELY ALONG LINES FAHMY AND I AGREED, BUT THEY
SHOULD CERTAINLY NOT BE SO WORDED AS TO NEGATE THE
PLO'S ACCEPTANCE OF RESOLUTION 242.

2. PLEASE TELL FAHMY ALSO THAT WE HAVE NOW SENT TO SAUDIS
THE FORMULA HE AND I AGREED UPON. WE DID THIS TO GET
MATTERS BACK ON THE TRACKS AFTER SAUDIS HAD GIVEN
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ARAFAT A FORMULA OF THEIR OWN WHICH WAS AT VARIANCE
WITH THE ONE WE WORKED OUT IN ALEXANDRIA.

3. FINALLY, YOU MAY TELL FAHMY WE WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION
IF HE WANTED TO SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING REFORMULATION OF THE
LANGUAGE WE AGREED TO IN AN EFFORT TO MEET BASIC POINT
OF PLO FORMULA REPORTED IN REFTEL: QUOTE: THE PLO

ACCEPTS UNSC RESOLUTION 242, WITH THE RESERVATION THAT IT CONSIDERS THAT THE RESOLUTION DOES NOT MAKE ADEQUATE REFERENCE TO THE QUESTION OF THE PALESTINIANS SINCE IT FAILS TO MAKE ANY REFERENCE TO A HOMELAND FOR THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE. IT IS RECOGNIZED THAT THE LANGUAGE OF RESOLUTION 242 RELATES TO THE RIGHT OF ALL STATES IN THE MIDDLE EAST TO LIVE IN PEACE. UNQUOTE.

4. TELL FAHMY WE ARE ALSO GIVING ABOVE REFORMULATION TO SAUDIS, SYRIANS AND JORDANIANS SO THAT ALL OF US WILL BE WORKING FROM SAME TEXT.

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